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MEMORANDUM FOR: United States Intelligence Board

SUBJECT: Downgrading of Selected TALENT-
KEYHOLE Photography over China

REFERENCE: General Carroll's memo to Chairman,
USIB, 11 Feb., [redacted]

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1. COMOR has considered the proposal contained in the reference and recommends that selected portions of individual frames of TALENT-KEYHOLE photography be decontrolled and downgraded to SECRET NO FOREIGN to satisfy the JCS target study. This should be done in accordance with the procedure proposed in paragraph 3 of the reference which is in accordance with Annex B of the Sanitization Manual. An additional stipulation is contained in an interim revision to the Sanitization Manual (COMOR-D-7/25, 5 June 1964) which in effect would prohibit the inclusion in targeting publications and maps and charts, at the SECRET NO FOREIGN level, of KH-7 derived material:

- a. Of targets which could not have been identified with the present KH-4 photography (e. g. , radar).
- b. When new items are based solely on KH-7 photographic capability.
- c. When details or computations on existing targets are based solely on KH-7 photographic capability.

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Colonel USAF
Acting Chairman
Committee on Overhead Reconnaissance

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